

Tales

Dealing with Matters of Interest to all Canadians—The Invaluable Resources of Our Country—The Beauty of its Landscapes—The Possibilities of Regions Almost Unexplored.

Piapot, the Indian Chief

THE SIOUX CREEK—HOW PIAPOOT GOT HIS NAME—AN EXPEDITION OF WAR AND PLUNDER—THE AMBUSH BY THE WATER HOLE—STEALING A BRIDE.

Many of the old timers of the plains will remember the famous Indian Chief Piapot. He was a great old rascal in his latter days, but had a great deal of native shrewdness combined with the unusual quality in an Indian of humor. He was for years the reserve of the Moosewing Agency which was situated in the Qu'Appelle Valley, about thirty miles north of Regina.

As a comparatively young man he commanded a party of Indians who were neither Cree, Saulteaux nor Assiniboi, but a mixture of all three, who were famous hunters and notorious thieves. They were known as the "Young Dogs" and had a very bad reputation among the people of the plains. Later, when the railway came to the country, Piapot gained a great deal of notoriety by his turbulent behaviour. The story has often been told how he attempted to stop construction at Maple Creek and how he and his band were intimidated by a couple of Mounted Policemen. After he settled on his reserve in the Qu'Appelle Valley he continued himself with grumbling at the parsimony of the government and making speeches on great occasions.

A Mean Man

On one occasion when the Governor General of Canada, Lord Stanley Preston, I think, attended a great pow-wow of Indians in the vicinity of Fort Qu'Appelle, Piapot made a wonderful speech. As usual he complained bitterly about the parsimony of the government. He referred in scathing terms to the meanness of the Indian Agent. "Why," he declared, "is this grand old chief of the council lodge, he is so mean that he carries a little bag around with him in his pocket. That bag blows his nose for fear that by chance he may blow away something of value."

Piapot, although he talked the Cree language, was neither of Cree nor Saulteaux blood, but he was a hereditary chief. The name Piapot really means the Sioux Cree, and that was a correct description of the wily old Indian. His father was said to be a Cree and his mother was a woman of the Sioux people. There used to be a very interesting story current about the father and mother of Piapot.

An Old Tale

As we stated before he was not a hereditary chief, nor was he of aristocratic tribal lineage. The father of Piapot was an ordinary common, everyday young Indian, but of an exceedingly enterprising nature. When quite a young man he survived the ordeal of the Sun Dance which qualified him to be a brave, or rather gave him the status of a probationer, because no matter how sturdy a young Indian might be, the cutting and slashing and torturing imposed at the ceremonial torture, he could not enter upon his duties as a warrior until he had performed some act of valor in the way of stealing horses from the enemy, or killing his man from ambush or in battle. He was poor and had very little of the Indian gear and could not command a following. He had, however, one good horse and after his wounds inflicted at the ordeal of the Sun Dance he healed, made up his mind to engage in an individual exploit that should bring him fame and glory in the eyes of the dusky masters of the camp.

An Expedition

He was too poor to possess

ing. He made up his mind that there was nothing doing that night and was just about to move away when he was aware of two persons approaching in the clearing. One was a sturdy average of middle age whose trapings looked as if they were of consequence. The other was a young girl who despite the shapeliness of her figure, which was shrouded, walked with the ease and grace of a young wild thing so characteristic of the young women of the Sioux people. She was expostulating with her male mate as to the wisdom of his commanding her in harsh and arbitrary tones. They halted in the midst of the glade beside a water hole and the Indian menaced her with a rawhide quirt which he carried dangling from his wrist.

A Winged Shaft

The young Cree fitted an arrow to the string, and as he did so the buffed robe fell away from the body of the Sioux and his naked chest gleamed like bronze in the moonlight. The bow twanged and the war arrow, with detachable point, buried itself in the breast of the Cree. The victim staggered for a minute, attempted to pull the missile from his breast and then fell over.

CURRENT COMMENT

ON MATTERS OF PUBLIC INTEREST TO DWELLERS IN THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES OF CANADA

A SERIES OF ARTICLES DEALING WITH VARIOUS WESTERN QUESTIONS

THE READJUSTMENT

Of all the problems which have grown out of the war there is none that has had and is having more effect upon the general life of the people, not only of this country but of Europe than the high cost of living.

European conditions are, of course, to a certain extent only abstract to us; we are concerned more closely with our own affairs and in this connection they are important enough in all conscience.

For some time previous to the war Canada and the United States enjoyed a remarkable period of prosperity. Everyone was making money and people were not inclined to count the cost of the necessities or even the luxuries of life. Then when the war came with the consequent demand for the product of the farm and the factory, prices of everything required in the ordinary household began to climb upward. Conditions were felt to be abnormal and only temporary and patriotic people felt that in bearing them they were contributing towards the success of the allied arms.

When peace was concluded, however, it was self-evident that economic conditions would have to be adjusted. It was inevitable that this adjustment could go on without some dislocation of business and this has occurred to a certain extent in Canada. We have been going through a disturbed period. The price of wheat has fallen away; staples have been coming down in price and manufacturing concerns have been suffering from scarcity of orders. Economy is being forced upon the people and there has been a good deal of hardship.

One of the most outstanding incidents in connection with the situation was the closing down of the great Ford plant near Detroit, which for a time threw more than 60,000 workers out of employment.

An adjustment is, however, being reached, and we are well on our way towards normal conditions. To make the balance true, however, concessions must be made by every element of the community. Farmers are forced to accept less prices for their produce owing to the reversal to tillage of great areas in Europe which were swept by war and a consequent slackening in demand; manufacturers are driven to economies in production as they are forced to produce goods at prices to meet the changed conditions; and retailers are not finding the demand for their goods anything like as great as it has been for the last few years. It is up to everyone to make sacrifices, and most of the elements in the economic life of the country are doing it, but so far labor has not been contributing its quota. There has been a great deal of unemployment but a builder will tell you that it is chiefly labor conditions which prevent him engaging in extensive operations. This seems to apply more particularly to the skilled laborer. The bricklayer gets a great deal more than twice as much for a day's work as he did a few years ago, and he only lays about half as many bricks. We are accustomed to grumble at the high freight rates charged by the railway companies but when we are informed that engineers and other trainmen sometimes get as much as \$500.00, or \$600.00 a month we get some faint idea of the cost of labor.

Save labor is not unreasonable and it seems to us that during this reconstruction period labor ought to make concessions as well as the other elements in the life of the country. It is a wonderful tribute to Canada that our general business has not suffered more dislocation and we look confidently forward to a gradual adjustment and a happy and prosperous country.

The salary and allowances of the French President amount to about \$250,000 per annum.

A Sealp

The young Cree bounded from his ambush and leaped upon his fallen enemy. It only took a moment to remove a portion of his scalp. He then ran like a deer after the girl who was speeding in the direction of her camp. She ran silently and did not make a sound although she must have known that one cry would have brought every warrior to her assistance. It would have been easy for the young Cree to have sent another winged messenger after her and then to have added her scalp to his trophies, but live women were greater prizes than dead ones, and he determined to take her home with him.

A Captive

He ran her down in a few bounds, and stifling her voice in her blanket, seized her in his arms and hurried to his house. By daylight they were far on their way towards the Qu'Appelle. He had loosened the rawhide thong with which he had bound her, and riding behind her on the horse, he felt her arms tighten around his waist.

He reached home in safety and gained much honor by the display of his wife and his captive. The Sioux woman became his chief wife and ruled in his lodge. Old people say she was the mother of Piapot.

PEOPLE, PLACES AND THINGS

A WEEKLY CAUSALIE OF MATTERS—TREATED IN LIGHTER VEIN

MRS. ASQUITH AGAIN—FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE—A PREDATORY CITY—COMPARISONS—NEW YORK—OTHER CITIES—DIFFERENT TYPES OF AMERICANS.

The intimate diary of Mrs. Asquith, the wife of the former British Prime Minister, still runs on. In these columns some time ago I passed some rather severe strictures upon the lady and her household. Her affections are remarkable for their intensity and her social snobbery, combined with flashes of near genius and intensive personality, but nevertheless they are of absorbing interest and remarkable frankness.

Many autobiographies have been written but the great majority of them are short of vitality by a lack of frankness and what is possibly a very proper regard for convention.

Mrs. Asquith, however, is not troubled by any of these things. She calls her diary "intimate" and at times it is so intimate that it is startling. Whatever may be the faults of it, it is certainly not to the book. There is a mighty little concealment in it, and if we are somewhat repelled by the extraordinary egotism of its author, we are lost in astonishment at the honesty, or frankness, or arrogance, or whatever it may be, which induces her to undress both mentally and physically before the public.

We Anglo-Saxons have been called a race of hypocrites, shrouding ourselves, our failings, and our virtues behind a veil of convention. Mrs. Asquith has thrown this drape aside, as if it had never existed and tells us what she thinks, what she feels, and takes us into those intimate chambers where even the members of the family circle do not penetrate in well ordered households. She does not exactly tell us, but we gather that she has a strong dislike for the sex, and wears pyjamas to sleep in; only she is difficult to convince that ever going to bed, far less sleeping.

She has given us some extraordinarily vivid glimpses of the life of people whose names have been household words in Britain. Her treatment of Dr. Jowett, the great Master of Balliol, Oxford, and her reference to his love affair with Florence Nightingale is startling to the least of us. She has given us as if the Apostle Paul had been making love to the mother-in-law of St. Peter.

It would not be proper to call Mrs. Asquith's diary a great book. It is hardly that, but it is exactly what it purports to be and owing to her personality, her unfeigned ability and temperment, and her remarkable opportunity for observation, it is a book that is assured with a good deal of the success of a publication. The words of a successful publisher, "It is a book that is sure to set a standard for this class of writing and will be followed by an eruption of books modeled upon it, written by mediocrities who have neither Mrs. Asquith's ability nor personality."

I recently paid a flying visit to New York. I do not like this Babylonian city. Although it is perhaps the cleanest metropolis in the world, and its great skyscrapers and cavernous streets, and thronging traffic daunts the mind of a plucky man, New York preys upon the body economy of the country. It exacts its tribute upon the products of American industry through its gates, and with a brazen clapper for a tongue, pretends to contribute to the national wealth by its expenditure. It is a place of middle men, of a piratical crew who take their toll from the accomplished producers of the world. Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Pittsburgh and other cities supply the goods, and New York demands upon them.

Mixed Politics
An old lady in Halls township, Sampson County, N.C., when twitted by a caste of politicians for the Republicans, retorted that she had never seen the word "Democrat" in the paper. She had seen "Republicans and sinners" and she was sure the sinners were Democrats.

and steals a goodly sack as they pass along the highway of commerce.

Have you ever noticed the difference, when you travel, between the type of Americans who live in the predatory lives of New York and those who abide in such places as Detroit, Chicago or St. Louis? The New Yorker of the business district at least is slim, secretive, snippy, and coldly selfish. He seems impervious to the warmer emotions and buys his very vicies at a bargain counter. He thinks he is sophisticated, but he is really a street protestant. He has a still, frozen face, which, towards middle age, becomes marked with the wintry lines of cupidity and a base selfishness. There is of course—as everywhere in the world—the safe and decency, but in the main they are a high-blooded, piratical lot. The Browns, the Robins, the Grays, and the cabaret are not New Yorkers. They are visitors from out of town. You can see them casting their money double handed to the winds as do those people.

If a genuine resident of Manhattan stands about from some hope of gain, invite you to partake of food with him at one of the many restaurants of which the city is bespangled, he will at once proceed to advise you as to the probable profits of the enterprise, and caution you against the greivous sin of generosity to the poor. He will be a most astute politician, and caution you against the greivous sin of generosity to the poor. He will be a most astute politician, and caution you against the greivous sin of generosity to the poor.

The Chicago man or Detroit man is different. He makes his money in industry, or commerce; he is a worker, and he bears the characteristics of a worker. He has cast a look around the rounds of what he calls the "city of the future" and he has seen the skyscrapers, and the men are big, elemental, loud voiced and often rather gross. They are not the type of men of too much attention to the flesh pots, and are brave in a barbaric sort of way. They are not the type of men who are brave in a barbaric sort of way. They are not the type of men who are brave in a barbaric sort of way.

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The Sleepjacker was repairing a shaft high above the city street. It was an extraordinary job they say, first, and he fetched some of his friends.
Presently a down-at-the-el person joined the group, and in a few minutes a small crowd of on-lookers gathered about. They waited half an hour.
The Sleepjacker was working on unconcernedly. Then the first comer took the sense of the meeting, so to speak, and he turned to go. "He ain't going to fall," he said.

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ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Thomas Crooks left last Sunday evening on a business trip west.

School Inspector Buchanan is paying our school an official visit this week.

Adam Duben, who has been in Calgary on a business trip, returned home on last night's train.

Mrs. J. Devitt returned home last night from Calgary, where she had been visiting friends.

Miss Vina Chapman left last Monday for Lethbridge where she will spend a few weeks visiting her aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Linnell left last week for Indiana, where they will visit friends for a few months.

Stanley Fairbairn left on Sunday evening's train for Rumsay, Alberta, where he has secured a position.

G. W. Fitzhenry has moved his place of business from Broadway to First street south, in the old Ryman building, and will continue business there.

H. E. Chisholm, who burglarized Cook's jewelry store in Medicine Hat last week, was captured at Lethbridge. At his trial he was sentenced to three years in Prince Albert penitentiary.

Arrangements are now completed for the big dance in Reid's hall on March 20th under the auspices of the W. A. of St. Ambrose church. Some novel ideas will be introduced at this dance. Don't miss it.

Thursday, March 21st is the date of the lecture to be given in the Amuse-U theatre by Trooper Jim Shumay, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the Presbyterian church. Don't miss it. It is well worth hearing.

The name of Rev. J. W. Morrow, of Medicine Hat, is now being mentioned as a possible candidate for the federal constituency in the approaching bye-election. His name is associated with the Farmer's party.

W. H. Nussey has just purchased two fine prize white Leghorn roosters from Ontario to add to his already splendid flock of this breed. He will now be in a better shape than ever to supply the growing demand for poultry.

Mrs. E. O. Wilde was taken to the Medicine Hat hospital last Sunday night, the following day underwent a serious operation. The operation was a success and although Mrs. Wilde is still very weak her condition is not considered serious.

It is now beginning to look as though spring were here to stay. The mild weather of the past few days has removed the foot or more of snow which fell over the country to the condition of the soil most of this moisture will seek in and improve conditions for spring work.

A meeting of the local Chautauque guarantors is called for next Monday evening, March 22nd. This meeting will be held in the Review office and will commence promptly at 8 o'clock. As matters of interest and importance to all guarantors will be taken up a full turnout is urgently requested.

Night huggles and two drums arrived yesterday for the Boy Scouts band. They are all first-class instruments of a standard make and are new from the factory. The boys should make a good showing when they turn out in full force. Those who are in the huggle band will have to get down to hard practice to get in shape for the summer.

Cut this date out and paste it in your hat. Tuesday, April 15th on that date a rare treat in the shape of an entertainment is coming to Redcliff. We are assured that the program is one that will appeal very strongly to both old and young alike. In making your arrangements for next month be sure that nothing interferes with this date. Tuesday, April 15th. Watch for fuller particulars later.

Last Thursday evening a number of young people sprung a surprise party on Mrs. Kops and her daughters. The occasion was to join with them in order to celebrate Alfred's birthday. The party took possession of the house and it was not long before all felt quite at home. A pleasant evening of games and music was spent and Alfred was started off on another lap in his career under most favorable circumstances.

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J. R. Reid, of Maple Creek, spent a few days in town this week visiting his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Simon.

The L. A. of St. Ambrose church will hold an afternoon tea and sale of work in the Parish hall on Wednesday afternoon, April 6th, from 3 to 5 o'clock. Tea and refreshments 25c. All are invited to attend this sale and take advantage of the bargains which will be offered.

CHURCH NOTICES

ENGLISH CHURCH
Rev. C. F. Ormby, rector.
Matins, 11 p. m.
Sunday school 12.15.

Services will be taken by Mr. E. P. Blackshaw of Medicine Hat.

Altars—Holy communion 11 a. m. and baptism. Evenson 3 p. m.

Friday evening 7.30—Litanies and Lenten address, 8 p. m. Choir practice. Holy Week—Monday, 7.45, even-song. Wednesday, 7.45, even-song.

Thursday, 2.30, W. A. meets in the Parish hall; 5.30, missionary litany and gleaming from the missions; 6.45, children's Lenten service.

Good Friday—Matins, 11 a. m.; 2.30, children's service; 7.30, even-song. After communion, choir practice.

Saturday, 7.45 p. m.—Preparation for Easter communion.

Baptist Day—Holy communion 8.30 a. m.; 11 a. m., church communion; 2.30, children's service; 7.30, even-song.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

For the future mass will be held in the Presbyterian church (the second and fourth Sundays of each month, at 8 o'clock).

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Baptist Church.
Sunday school at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Preaching at 11.30 a. m. Everybody welcome.

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Rev. Wm. Shearer, D. D., pastor.
Morning service at 11 o'clock.
Subject: "Four Positive Characters of the Ideal Character," Matt. 6:3-9.

Evening service at 7 o'clock; subject: "Post Mortem Experiences," Luke 16:19-31.

Sunday school at 2.30 p. m.
Unit 11: a. m., church communion; 2.30, children's service; 7.30, even-song.

THE WAS A REASON.
"Why do you turn out for every huddle that comes along?" said the miser, rather crossly. "The right of way is ours, isn't it?"

"Oh, undoubtedly!" answered he, calmly. "As for our turning out, the reason is plainly suggested in this epigram which appeared in a newspaper recently:

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But he's just as dead as if he'd been wrong!"—Boston Transcript.

AMERICAN FARMERS
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Basing his estimate on the numbers of enquiries he is already receiving daily, Walter Johnson, secretary of the Farmers' Lands Settlement Association of Manitoba, predicts that 25,000 United States land seekers will visit Western Canada during the present year. Last year 17,000 inquiries were received and answered while in addition interest, evidenced in the first months of 1930 makes the estimate of 25,000 for the year reasonably conservative.

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Twenty-four homing pigeons have been purchased in Edmonton by the Imperial Oil Company, to be used in dispatch communication work between the far north and Peace River town preparatory to the further development of the Fort McMurray oil field this spring. Two relay stations will be established between Peace River town and Fort Norman and the distance to be covered by each relay of pigeons amounts to 550 miles.

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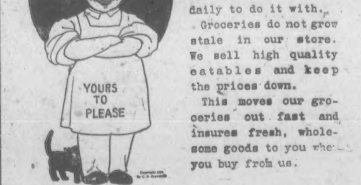
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Announcement has been made that all claims on the townships of the "Vapiti" river, south of Grande Prairie, have been filed on by the Royal Dutch Shell Oil Company. It is further announced that the company recently purchased 15 oil drilling rigs in Pittsberg which are being shipped to west-ern Canada.



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